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**Transmittal Letter**  
**Utility U.S. Patent Application**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified utility U.S. patent application.

Enclosed are:

1. 28 pages of specification, including a one (1) page Abstract and seventy-three (73) claims.
2. An unexecuted Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed herewith.
3. One (1) sheet of drawings.
4. An Information Disclosure Statement.
5. This Transmittal Letter, in duplicate.
6. And, if indicated:

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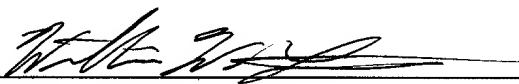
Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 and/or 35 U.S.C. 119(e), Applicants hereby claim priority from presently copending U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/254,213 entitled "SURFACTANT SYSTEMS FOR PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS" and filed on December 08, 2000 in the names of Ali Yahiaoui, Bernard Cohen, Joel Brostin and Michael Tod Morman.

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